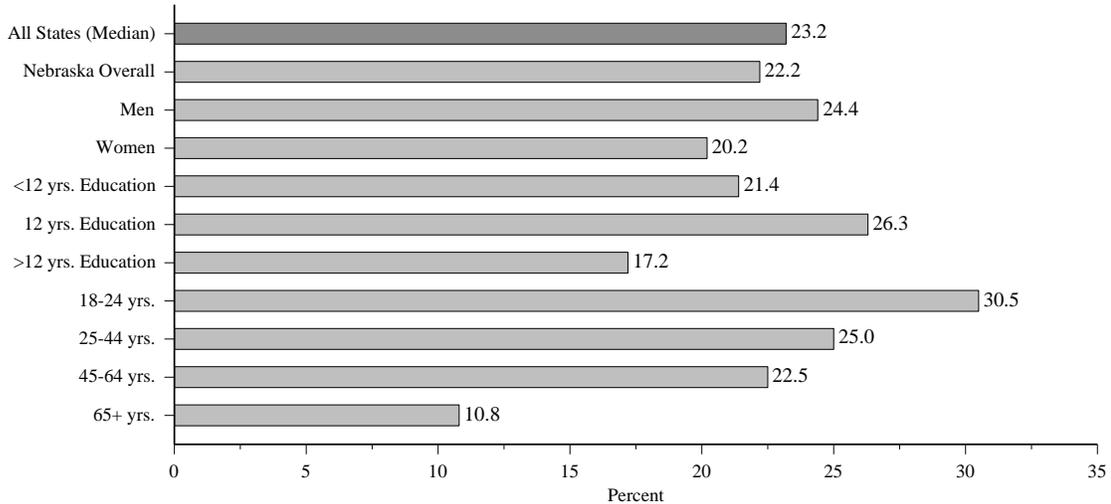


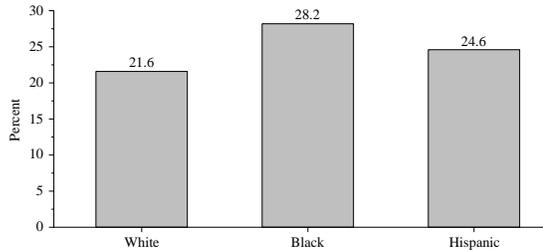
Number of Nebraska youth projected to die prematurely from their smoking: 35,492

Adult Tobacco Use in Nebraska

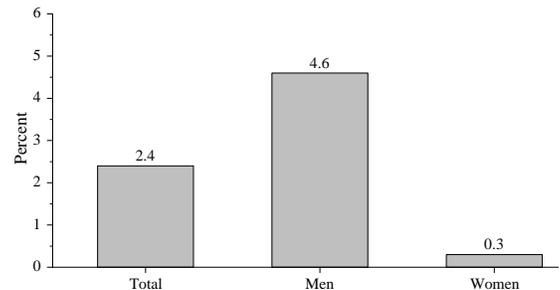
Current Cigarette Smoking Among Adults Aged 18 and Older, 1997



Current Cigarette Smoking Among Adults by Race/Ethnicity, 1996-1997



Current Smokeless Tobacco Use Among Adults Aged 18+, 1995-1996



Health Impact and Costs

<i>AVERAGE ANNUAL DEATHS RELATED TO SMOKING, 1990-1994</i>		<i>AVERAGE ANNUAL YEARS OF POTENTIAL LIFE LOST,* 1990-1994</i>	<i>MEDICAL COSTS RELATED TO SMOKING, 1993</i>	
Overall	2,623	32,866 years or an average of 12.5 years for each death due to smoking.	Ambulatory	\$52,730,000
Men	1,889		Hospital	\$77,960,000
Women	734		Nursing Home†	\$95,860,000
Death Rate	308/100,000		Drug	\$17,010,000
Rank	7	*Calculated to life expectancy	Other	\$32,650,000
(No. 1 is lowest death rate)			Total	\$276,210,000

†Preliminary estimates

Youth Tobacco Use

<i>CIGARETTE SMOKING AMONG YOUTH, GRADES 9-12, 1997</i>	<i>SMOKELESS TOBACCO USE AMONG YOUTH, GRADES 9-12, 1997 (PAST MONTH)</i>
Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS) data not available.	

Nebraska

Number of Nebraska youth exposed to ETS in the home in 1996: 96,897

Tobacco Control Legislation, 1998

Minors' Access to Tobacco Products

Minimum age for sale: 18

Penalties: Any person who sells to a minor will be guilty of a class III misdemeanor. Revocation/suspension of license for violation.

Illegal for minors to:

- Purchase** No
- Possess** No
- Use** Yes

Restrictions on Vending Machines

Vending machines must be located where minors cannot access them.

Signage

None

Licensure

Retail license and vending machine license required.

Excise Tax

- Cigarette tax per pack 34¢
- Rank = 26 (No.1 is highest tax)
- Federal and state taxes as a percentage of retail price 29.8%
- Annual gross tax revenue from cigarettes \$48,092,261
- Smokeless tobacco tax:
15% of purchase price.

Advertising

No restrictions

State Preempts Local Laws

No preemption

Smokefree Indoor Air

Site	Restrictions			Penalties		
	100% Smokefree	Designated smoking areas with separate ventilation	Designated smoking areas required or allowed	None	To businesses	To smokers
						
Government worksites			✓			✓
Private worksites			✓			✓
Restaurants			✓			✓
Day care centers				✓		
Home-based day care				✓		

Tobacco Economy

Cigarette Sales, 1997

Number of packages sold and taxed, per capita 85.5

Tobacco Agriculture, 1997

None

Tobacco Manufacturing, 1996

None

Tobacco Use Prevention and Control Program

Funding: CDC IMPACT & RWJF/AMA SmokeLess States Program

Regional Network: Tobacco-Free Heartland

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